TO: ALL LICENSED INSURERS, HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL SERVICE

CORPORATIONS, AND HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS, TRADE ORGANIZATIONS, NAIC AND OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES.

FROM: ARKANSAS INSURANCE DEPARTMENT

SUBJECT: PROPOSED AMENDED RULE AND REGULATION 19

"UNFAIR SEX DISCRIMINATION IN THE SALE OF INSURANCE"

## **NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING**

Pursuant to Arkansas Code Ann. §§ 23-23-61-108, 23-79-109 and 23-66-201 et seq. other applicable Arkansas laws or rules, NOTICE is hereby given that a PUBLIC HEARING will be held on November 23, 2004 at 10:00 a.m., in the First Floor Hearing Room, Arkansas Insurance Department ("Department"), 1200 West Third Street, Little Rock, Arkansas, to determine whether the Arkansas Insurance Commissioner should adopt Proposed Amended Rule and Regulation 19, "UNFAIR SEX DISCRIMINATION IN THE SALE OF INSURANCE." The purpose of this Rule is

A copy of the proposed Rule is attached to this notice.

- 1. All interested persons are encouraged to attend the Public Hearing and may appear and present, orally or in writing, statements, arguments or opinions on the proposed Rule. All licensees and other interested persons are responsible for notifying all their personnel, agents, and employees about this Public Hearing.
- 2. Persons wishing to testify should notify the Legal Division as soon as possible, and are requested to submit intended statements in writing in advance.
- 3. Direct your inquiries to the undersigned in the Legal Division at (501) 371-2820 or insurance.legal@arkansas.gov

Sincerely.

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Enclosure